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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Address to: <b>Mail Stop RCE</b> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number: 09/631,613	Confirmation Number: 6689
	Filing Date: August 4, 2000	
	First Named Inventor: Holly H. HOGREFE et al.	
	Group Art Unit: 1637	
	Examiner: C. WILDER	
	Attorney Docket Number: 04121.0116-07000	
Attorney Customer Number: 22,852		



This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: **Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ **DO NOT ENTER** the amendment(s) previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_. An alternate submission is attached.
- c. ☒ Enclosed submission:
- i. ☒ Response
- ii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- iii. ☒ IDS Form PTO/SB/08
- iv. ☒ Copies of twenty-six (26) documents

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of number months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

- a. ☒ The filing fee is calculated as follows:
- i. ☒ \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Petition for Five Month Extension of Time \$2,160.00
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$2,950.00 enclosed.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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## Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required

Name: Michael R. Albrecht

Reg. No.: 54,956

Signature:

Date: February 13, 2006

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